

**Early Buying
Has Its
Economies
CONSULT OUR LISTS**

The Boston Store

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NO CONFUSION**

BEGINNING MONDAY, STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

A Wonderful Gift Variety Awaits the Early Shopper

**THE GIFT LIST--START IT AT ONCE.
ONLY A SHORT SEVEN DAYS**

Do you realize that only a period of seven shopping days is between you and a solution of the gift problem? It's a fact. It is time to prepare your list. Use this and other of our advertisements to aid you. From this time on we will give many helpful gift suggestions daily, and we are certain that a careful perusal of our advertisements will prove of immense value and aid you in making your selections.

A Marvelously Interesting Collection of Toys for Xmas in the Toy Annex Basement

Don't permit another day to pass over your head without visiting our great Toy Basement. Everyone tells us that this is the best plaything show in town, and we know ourselves that it is the best in the history of our store. All manner of interesting features for today—the children's holiday.

To start the interest we will give every girl visiting our Toy Department this morning, accompanied by her parent, a little doll with dress and hat complete. Be on hand to get one of the imported babies.

The next attraction we offer for today is a 15-inch Full-jointed, Undressed Doll, with long curly hair and moving eyes, value 98c—Price for today 90c each.

(Only one to a customer)

An attraction for the boys will be an offer of the King Jr. Air Rifle, 200 quality—for today 37.1-2c each.

Foremost among the new toys this season are the Celluloid Swimming Toys—all sorts of Fish and Fowl. Come and see our Fish Pond—from 50 to 500.

Aeroplanes, Airships, Loop-the-Loop, Etc.—25c, 50c, 75c and 98c each.

Dolls of every description by the most celebrated makers—Genuine "Kewpie" and "Handwerk" Dolls in boy, girl, lady, baby, Japanese and character faces, in all prices up to \$8.50.

Consider Gifts of Garments and Furs

Another wise gift investment. Hundreds of hearts will be gladdened with a gift of a Set of Furs, a Suit, a Coat, a Fur Coat, a Dress Shirt, a fine Dress or an Evening Wrap.

The Garment Gift is worthy of deepest thought and careful consideration.

In considering it keep in mind the fact that this is Norwich's Center of Furs, and that you will be better satisfied with any selection made here. As for value and economy, we score strongly on these points. Only First Quality Goods, No Matter What the Price.

Silk Department

Silk Waist and Scarf Patterns, neatly boxed, make a useful and acceptable gift.

Remnants of Dress Goods, in suitable lengths for Waists and Children's Dresses, marked at special low prices.

Black Taffeta, wear guaranteed, our regular \$1.00 quality—Today special 30c a yard.

SMART WAISTS Priced Below Their Worth

Silk Waists, Chiffons over Persian, come in pretty nets, all up-to-date models, regular value \$6.00—Today choice \$5.00.

Stationery Department

Box Paper, fancy tops, two quire paper and envelopes, value 50c—Today 42c.

Holly and Fancy Cover Boxes Stationery, of good grade, regular price 25c—Today 18c each.

Holly Boxes, all sizes, suitable for Xmas Gifts—Necktie, Glove, Handkerchief, Candy, Jewelry—Priced from 50 up. CALENDARS—99¢ choice subjects—all kinds, size card 10x16, 25c value—Today 10c each.

Bath Robes of Merit

Another item of comfort is a fine Beacon Blanket Robe, in attractive designs, nothing more acceptable for gift—Price \$3.98 and up.

Women's Japanese Tea Coats, also Japanese Vests, with and without sleeves—\$2.50 and up.

The Christmas Sale of Sewing Machines

HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS—AND WHY NOT? IT AFFORDS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR THE SMALL SUM OF \$2.00 DOWN AND \$1.00 PER WEEK.

INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN FREE AT YOUR HOME.

MACHINES FROM \$22.00 UP AND LIFETIME GUARANTEE ON ALL MACHINES.

The Reid & Hughes Co.

THE STATUE OF HEBE WRECKED

New London Has Not Yet Been Able To Fathom The Mystery

BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION BOOSTS

The Biggest Event at Old Fort Trumbull—Four Dead Ones in the Morgue at Once—Life as it is Lived in the City by the Sea.

The alleged statue of Hebe that surmounted the water fountain at the junction of Bank and Trumbull streets placed there at an expense to the city of \$10,000 in 1909, was mysteriously wrecked very early Wednesday morning. When the comely maiden holding a water jug by her side toppled from her pedestal and damaged beyond repair, there was nothing in the fall that resembled the Grecian mythical Hebe, for she was not that kind of a woman; nor was even if a local writer referred to her as a cup bearer in a mythological sense. The statue was representative of Hebe, who was a redeeming feature of the drinking outfit, as it was never in good working order, but was mostly used as a decoration. The part where man was supposed to have given chance to stake his throat was never in condition, and the small basin for the dogs never contained water. The large basin for the use of horses was always full of water, and the consequence the section about the fountain was always either water mud, slush, or ice, and as pedestrians were compelled to travel around it, it became an unbearable nuisance.

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